

## Grand Central Landfill Hosted Its 6th Annual Chili Cookoff

By Michael Ortoski

PLAINFIELD TWSP - Grand Central Landfill hosted its 6th annual chili cookoff on Saturday, September 30th. The event was also part of the Northampton County Open Gate Farm Tour. More than 75 guests toured the facility and 160 slate belt residents taste tested chili from the 10 non-profits vying for the grand prize of \$1,000. In all, close to 400 guests came out to the event to support the organizations and enjoy the afternoon.

Slate Belt Regional Police brought their K-9 officer 'Zoro' to do demonstrations on drug and bomb sniffing. Chief Hogley played the role of a bad guy to show how Zoro can take down the criminal.

There was also raffle items given out along with FREE ice cream for every one.

Winners: 1st place: Mikey Racciato Foundation, 2nd Place: Pen Argyl Lodge A&FM #594, and 3rd Place: Slate Belt Regional Police.

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Photo by Lisa Newberry

1st place winner of \$1000 was Mikey Racciato Foundation

## Roseto Helping Hands 'No Pumpkin Way' Fall Festival

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ROSETO - Lots of fall festivals happening around the Slate Belt. On Saturday the Roseto Helping Hands held there 'No Pumpkin Way' fall festival organized by Blue Flames Events.

They held a tricky tray that will help benefit Roseto Helping Hands. The festival featured unique venders and crafters, delicious food and great music, pumpkin throwing contest and free fall mini digital photo session. It was a fun filled family day at the park.



## 45th Annual Festival of Marching Bands

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BANGOR - Bangor Slater Marching Band hosted their 45th annual event on Saturday at Bangor Memorial Park organized by the Slater Band Boosters.

Competition Schedule: Palisades; Lackawana Trail; Pen Argyl; Saucon Valley; Northampton; Phillipsburg; Bangor.

"Bands performing today demonstrate the importance of supporting music education in our schools. Please spread the word about the quality of music in our schools. Encourage others to attend performances" said the Slater Band Boosters.

Over the past year the Slater Band Boosters spent countless hours of fundraising to support the band for a total of \$26,900. Other major contributions over the past decade include new uniforms, feild PA system and the purchase of a drum major podium.

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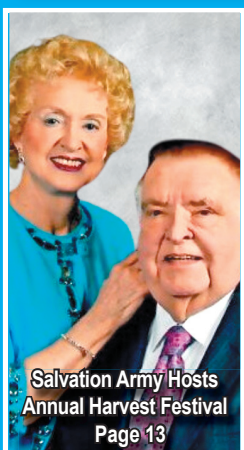
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